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Idaho Milk Production Up 3.0 Percent

Idaho milk production during March 2010 totaled 1.04 billion pounds, a 3.0 percent increase from the same month last year, but up 11 percent from February 2010, according to the National Agricultural Statistics Service. February 2010 milk production was revised to 936 million pounds, up 3 million pounds from the preliminary level. Average milk production per cow in March 2010 was 1,880 pounds, up 40 pounds from March 2009. The average number of milk cows during March was 554,000 head, up 4,000 from March 2009, but unchanged from February 2010.

Milk production in the 23 major States during March totaled 15.4 billion pounds, up 0.9 percent from March 2009. February revised production at 13.7 billion pounds, was up 0.3 percent from February 2009. The February revision represented an increase of 17 million pounds or 0.1 percent from last month's preliminary production estimate. Production per cow in the 23 major States averaged 1,846 pounds for March, 51 pounds above March 2009. The number of milk cows on farms in the 23 major States was 8.32 million head, 162,000 head less than March 2009, but 1,000 head more than February 2010.

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